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## UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Title of Invention

HEAD-TO-HEAD CONNECTOR SPINAL FIXATION SYSTEM

### APPLICATION ELEMENTS

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2. [X] Specification <b>Total Pages [24]</b> <i>(preferred arrangement set forth below)</i>	a. [ ] Computer Readable Form
- Descriptive title of the invention	b. [ ] Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)
- Cross References to Related Applications	[ ] Pages
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D	c. [ ] Statements verifying identity of above copies
- Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix	
- Background of the Invention	
- Brief Summary of the Invention	
- Brief Description of the Drawings ( <i>if filed</i> )	
- Detailed Description	
- Claim(s)	
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3. [X] Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) <b>Total Sheets [19]</b> [X] Fig. of the Drawings for Publication [1B] [ ] No Figure to be Published	7. [ ] Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documents) [X] Assignee - DePuy Spine, Inc. Raynham, MA
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a. [ ] Newly executed (original or copy)	9. [ ] English Translation Document ( <i>if applicable</i> )
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The entire disclosure of the prior application is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference.

*(Add standard Related Applications section with incorporation by reference to specification or update same)*

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